

Academic life at Black Mountain takes the form of private reading, small classes and individual tutorials. Intimacy between students and teachers has particularly happy results in the study of languages. For not only can students become familiar with foreign culture through foreign literature; they can also learn to speak any of the chief western languages through conversation. The shared experiences of community

life vivify the study of the social sciences, philosophy, psychology, and literature, which is considered as an expression of the inner life of mankind. Through discussion and reading the motives, desires and experiences of men are seen in universal perspective. Serious writing is encouraged. Students write and produce plays, and each year are responsible for a series of radio broadcasts which originate from class materials.